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In re Application of

Ari RANTALA et al Conf. No: 8281

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TRANSMITTAL OF INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

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Sir:

Applicant wishes to draw attention to the documents listed on the accompanying information disclosure statement. Copies of the documents other than U.S. patents are enclosed.

English abstracts are attached to the non-English documents. In addition, DE 19707981, JP 5263299 and WO 03000960 were cited in the International Search Report. A copy of the International Search Report was included with items filed at the time of entering the national stage. The International Search Report indicates the degree of relevance of the three documents cited therein. In the circumstances, applicant believes that the requirement under MPEP 609 for a concise explanation of any non-English document has been satisfied.

Pursuant to MPEP 609, it is requested that the Examiner should initial the information disclosure statement to confirm that each document has been considered, and return a copy of the form to the undersigned with the first Office Action. **The PAIR record for this application does not show that a first Office Action on the merits has been mailed.**

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